COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday January 12, 2010

10:00 a.m. or immediately Following Physical Development Room 520, Northern Service Center

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 12:21 p.m. by the Chair, Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord. Those in attendance:

Commissioner Joseph A. Harris
Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord
Commissioner Thomas Egan
Commissioner Nancy Schouweiler
Commissioner Liz Workman
Commissioner Paul J. Krause

Commissioner Willis E. Branning

Also in attendance were: Brandt Richardson, County Administrator, Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, and Jay Stassen, County Attorney's Office.

2. REPORTS

Mark Oster, Social Services Supervisor, introduced the report and presenters Joan Pirner, Diane Allen, and Chelsea Pierce who reported for the Local Advisory Council for Mental Health – Children. (The report was given out of sequence following the Regular Agenda.)

3. INTRODUCTIONS

Carol Fish, Public Health Supervisor, introduced Lori MacKinnon, Public Health Nurse.

4. AUDIENCE

Chair Gaylord asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the committee on an item not on the agenda or if anyone wished to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda. No one appeared.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Schouweiler, and passed on a 7-0 vote to approve the agenda.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Egan, seconded by Commissioner Workman, and passed on a 7-0 vote to approve the following Consent Agenda.

6.1 Minutes of the December 1, 2009 meeting

6.2 Approval Of Work Plans For Human Services Advisory Committee And Community Corrections Advisory Board

WHEREAS, County Policy No. 1015 provides direction regarding its citizen advisory committees and states that five citizen advisory committees, including the Community Corrections Advisory Board (CCAB) and the Human Services Advisory Committee (HSAC), are required to consult annually with the County Board to seek concurrence regarding the topics on which they will advise the County Board; and

WHEREAS, CCAB and HSAC members have identified areas of interest on which to receive updates intended to educate the members on current relevant issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the updates to be presented to CCAB and HSAC as follows:

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Follow up on Housing for Offenders Minnesota Sex Offender Program Adam Walsh Act Dakota County Crime Trends Geriatric Offenders

Human Services Advisory Committee

Childhood Obesity
State Health Improvement Program
Preferred Integrated Network
Metro Alliance for Healthy Families
Intergenerational Relationships
H1N1
Domestic Abuse

County Response to Infectious Outbreaks

Racial and Cultural Disparities

Living Longer and Stronger in Dakota County Initiative

6.3 Ratify Community Economic Relief Fund Proposal Submitted To The Saint Paul Foundation, Authorize Execution Of Grant Agreement, And Amend Employment And Economic Assistance Budget

WHEREAS, in response to the economic downturn, the Minnesota Community Foundation and The Saint Paul Foundation, along with key partners, have established a Community Economic Relief Fund to help stabilize individuals most at risk for severe consequences due to the combined impact of health, chemical health, and/or mental health issues; and

WHEREAS, staff submitted a funding request for \$63,600 that proposed the establishment of an emergency medical fund to meet emergent mental health and health care needs of Dakota County residents who have no other resources to resolve the emergent situation; and

WHEREAS, staff were notified that \$63,600 was awarded to provide benefits to County residents experiencing a financial crisis related to the provision of emergency medical needs; and

WHEREAS, staff request ratification of proposal submission, authorization to execute a grant agreement with The Saint Paul Foundation to accept these funds and request that the 2010 Employment and Economic Assistance budget be amended to add \$63,600 of Saint Paul Foundation grant funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the proposal submitted to The Saint Paul Foundation for funds to assist residents needing financial help with emergency medical needs and authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a grant agreement with The Saint Paul Foundation, in the amount of the grant awarded, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2010 Employment and Economic Assistance budget is hereby increased as follows:

Revenue

Saint Paul Foundation \$63,600 **Total Revenue** \$63,600

Expense

Emergency Medical Fund \$63,600 **Total Expense** \$63,600

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its appreciation to The Saint Paul Foundation for its efforts to help stabilize individuals most at risk for severe consequences due to the combined impact of health, chemical health and/or mental health issues.

6.4 Authorization To Execute Contract With Farmington Health Services, Inc., Doing Business As Trinity Terrace, To Provide Customized Living And Assisted Living Services

WHEREAS, the Elderly (EW) and Community Alternatives for Disabled Individuals (CADI) waivers serve persons 65 and over, and disabled persons under 65 who need nursing facility level of care; and

WHEREAS, Public Health and Social Services service coordinators authorize Customized Living and Assisted Living Services for clients based on individual client needs; and

WHEREAS, vendors of these services bill the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) directly for these services provided to EW and CADI clients; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 09-298 (June 16, 2009), the County Board authorized contracts for home and community-based services, including contracts for Customized Living and Assisted Living services for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, since that time, staff have negotiated an additional home and community-based services contract for Customized Living and Assisted Living services; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that a contract be executed with Farmington Health Services, doing business as (DBA) Trinity Terrace, to provide Customized Living and Assisted Living services; and

WHEREAS, EW and CADI waiver, and Group Residential Housing (GRH) rate limits are established by DHS on a state fiscal year basis (July 1-June 30); and

WHEREAS, contracts for services funded by the EW and CADI waivers are written to coincide with the state fiscal year funding cycle; and

WHEREAS, the execution of this contract in no way obligates Dakota County to purchase services or refer clients to Farmington Health Services, DBA Trinity Terrace; and

WHEREAS, in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due, this contract will contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a contract with Farmington Health Services, DBA Trinity Terrace, to provide Customized Living and Assisted Living services, at rates not to exceed funding limits provided by the EW and CADI waiver programs for the period of February 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contract, within the rate limits established by DHS, to alter the types of services provided, service rates or contract term, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this contract shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contract in the event sufficient funds from county, state or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due.

6.5 Authorization To Execute Agreements With United Behavioral Health For Mental Health Targeted Case Management Eligibility Screening And Care Coordination Services, And With Blue Cross And Blue Shield Of Minnesota For Care Coordination Services, And To Set Payment Rates For Mental Health Targeted Case Management Services

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 256B.0625, directs that mental health targeted case management (MH-TCM) services be added to the health care benefit set available to eligible enrollees of all Minnesota health care programs; and

WHEREAS, by Board Resolution No. 09-306 (June 16, 2009), the County Board authorized execution of amendments to agreements with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota (Blue Cross/Blue Shield), HealthPartners, Inc. (HealthPartners), Medica Health Plans (Medica), and UCare of Minnesota (UCare) to add MH-TCM services; and

WHEREAS, by Board Resolution No. 09-194 (April 21, 2009), the County Board authorized an agreement between Medica and Dakota County to implement the Preferred Integrated Network (PIN) project, effective September 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, individuals eligible for PIN services automatically receive care coordination and also MH-TCM services if they meet MH-TCM eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS, for non-PIN Medica enrolees covered by United Behavioral Health (UBH), the County and UBH have negotiated a rate of \$280 per MH-TCM eligibility screening for Special Needs Basic Care (SNBC) and Prepaid Medical Assistance Program (PMAP) enrollees, and a rate of \$125 per member per month for care coordination services for non-PIN SNBC enrollees; and

WHEREAS, care coordination services provided to Blue Cross/Blue Shield SNBC enrollees will be billed at \$24.65 per 15 minutes for a professional and \$9.09 per 15 minutes for a paraprofessional; and

WHEREAS, staff recommend that MH-TCM services provided for enrollees of the four health plans (Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Health Partners, UCare and United Behavioral Health) be billed at the MH-TCM rates established by DHS (currently \$744 per month for children and \$625 per month for adults).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute an agreement with United Behavioral Health to provide MH-TCM eligibility screening for non-PIN members of Medica Health Plans at the rate of \$280 per screening for SNBC and PMAP enrollees, and care coordination services for SNBC clients at the rate of \$125 per member per month, effective July 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota for care coordination services for SNBC clients at the rate of \$24.65 per 15 minutes for a professional and \$9.09 per 15 minutes for a paraprofessional effective July 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That MH-TCM services provided for enrollees of the four health plans (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, HealthPartners, Inc., UCare of Minnesota, and United Behavioral Health) be billed at the MH-TCM rates established by DHS.

7. REGULAR AGENDA

7.1 Information - Update On Publicly Funded Health Care Access And Insurance Coverage for Jail Inmates Study Findings

Kathy Anderson, Community Services Administration, presented on this item noting that this issue was adopted as a top level Board goal for 2008. Information presented included strategies that have been implemented to ensure Dakota County is payor of last resort for treatment provided to Dakota County inmates by a hospital or clinic, increase health care access for those released from the Dakota County Jail, and provide for improved communication and coordination of services.

Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, commented on future impacts that may affect this project, including the end of the GAMC Program and Federal Health Care Reform.

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORS REPORT

Each Commissioner received a copy of the Director's written report and Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, pointed out highlights.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was moved for adjournment by Commissioner Schouweiler, seconded by Commissioner Egan, and passed on a 7-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Skog Acting Clerk Community Services Division